

## 4. Struck by Front-End Loader

A **69-year-old** truck driver was struck by a front-end loader while waiting for his truck to be loaded. He pulled his truck under a conveyor and exited the truck. A front-end loader was used to load the conveyor. The driver of the front-end loader turned the vehicle at the front of the victim's tractor and proceeded on a path beside the trailer. He felt a "bump" but did not see anything. He looked to the side of his loader and saw a truck driver pointing toward the back of the loader. He stopped the loader, got off, and then saw the victim on the ground. The loader bucket was at such a height (about three feet off the ground) as to obstruct the view of the driver. Apparently, the victim had walked into the path of the moving front-end loader and the loader driver did not see him. The victim was transported to the hospital where he survived for several days and underwent several surgical procedures. However, he passed away 11 days after the incident.

### Citation(s) as Originally Issued

#### Citation 1

Item 1 TDLWD Rule 0800-1-3-.05(1)(a)	An oral report of an employment accident resulting in a fatality or the inpatient hospitalization of three or more employees was not made within eight (8) hours after the occurrence to the nearest Area Office of the Division of Occupational Safety and Health or to the TOSHA toll-free central telephone number (1-800-249-8510).
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How the truck was being loaded from conveyor

Front-end loader involved

